

XXX. *Additional Note to the Observations on the British Species of
Mentha*, p. 171.

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ON cultivating a root of Mr. Solc's *Mentha pratensis*, sent by himself, I have found it turn out exactly my *rubra*; and indeed, on an accurate re-examination of his original dried specimen, I find no reason to doubt its being truly the *rubra*. To this species therefore I would wish to refer it instead of *gracilis*; see p. 210 of the present volume.

Since the printing of this paper I have met with fresh reasons for believing the *Mentha sativa* and all its varieties to form one species with the *hirsuta*; and in the Flora Britannica, now in the press, I have accordingly united them.